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House Bills

HB 1958 by Representatives Williams, Moeller, Chandler, and Condotta

Allowing only structural engineers to provide engineering services for significant structures.

Provides that an engineer must be registered as a structural engineer in order to provide structural engineering services for significant structures.

Allows the board to waive the requirements of this act until December 31, 2009, if: (1) On January 1, 2007, the engineer is registered with the board as a professional engineer; and

(2) Within two years of January 1, 2007, the engineer demonstrates to the satisfaction of the board that the engineer has sufficient experience in the duties typically provided by a professional structural engineer regarding significant structures.

Provides that "significant structures" include: (1) Structures housing, supporting, or containing sufficient quantities of explosive substances to be of danger to the safety of the public if released;

(2) Essential facilities that have a ground area of more than five thousand square feet and are more than twenty feet in mean roof height above average ground level.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1959 by Representatives Kagi, Haler, Pettigrew, Walsh, Kenney, and Wood; by request of Department of Early Learning

Correcting provisions for the department of early learning.

Authorizes the director to charge fees to the licensee for obtaining a license. The director may waive the fees when, in the discretion of the director, the fees would not be in the best interest of public health and safety, or when the fees would be to the financial disadvantage of the state.

Provides that fees charged shall be based on, but shall not exceed, the cost to the department for the licensure of the activity or class of activities and may include costs of necessary inspection.

Requires the department to give written notice of the denial of an application for a license to the applicant or his or her agent. The department shall give written notice of revocation, suspension, or modification of a license to the licensee or his or her agent. The notice shall state the reasons for the action.

Requires the department to give written notice to the person against whom it assesses a civil fine. The notice shall state the reasons for the adverse action. The notice shall be personally served in the manner of service of a summons in a civil action or shall be given in another manner that shows proof of receipt.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & Children's Services.

HB 1960 by Representatives Williams and Quall; by request of Court Of Appeals

Changing travel reimbursement provisions affecting judges of the court of appeals.

Authorizes the court of appeals to adopt rules providing for the reimbursement of work-related travel expenses from a judge's customary residence to the division headquarters of the court and back. Judges elected from or residing in the county in which the division is headquartered are not eligible for reimbursement under this provision. The rates of reimbursement are as set forth in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1961 by Representatives Conway, Hudgins, and Lovick

Concerning professional athletics regulated by the department of licensing.

Declares that in the interest of ensuring the safety and welfare of the participants, the director of the department of licensing is required to direct, supervise, and control all boxing, mixed martial arts, and wrestling events conducted within this state and an event may not be held in this state except in accordance with the provisions of chapter 67.08 RCW.

Provides that no amateur or professional no holds barred fighting or combative fighting contest, exhibition, match, or similar type of event, nor any elimination tournament, may be held in this state. Any person promoting such an event is guilty of a class C felony. Additionally, the director may apply to a superior court for an injunction against any and all promoters of such contests, and the court may seize all money and assets relating to the competition at the request of the director.

Provides that, in addition to the payment of any other fees and money due under this act, every promoter shall pay to the department a fee consisting of a percentage of the total gross receipts from the sale, lease, or other exploitation of broadcasting, television, and motion picture rights for the event, without any deductions for the state, brokerage fees, distribution fees, advertising, participants' purses, or any other expenses or charges. The fee shall be three percent of the total gross receipts less than one million one dollars and, in addition, one percent of the total gross receipts that exceed one million dollars and do not exceed three million dollars.

Requires each participant for boxing, kickboxing, or mixed martial arts events to receive a prefight physical before an event and within a timeframe specified in rule. The prefight physical shall be performed by an event physician licensed by the department. The event physician shall complete and sign a prefight physical form provided by the department. The completed prefight physical form must be provided to the chief inspector prior to the beginning of the event. No participant whose physical condition is not approved by the event physician shall be permitted to participate in any event.

Repeals RCW 67.08.010, 67.08.040, 67.08.130, 67.08.220, and 67.08.240.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- Feb 9 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 1962 by Representatives Sells, McCoy, Lovick, Strow, Bailey, O'Brien, Kristiansen, Roberts,

B. Sullivan, Pearson, Dunshee, Ericks, Chase, Kagi, Conway, McCune, and Hurst

Compensating auto theft victims for towing and impound fees.

Authorizes the registered owner of a stolen motor vehicle to apply to the department for compensation for costs incurred for the towing and impounding of a stolen vehicle if the registered owner has filed a vehicle theft report with a law enforcement agency. The department shall evaluate the compensation provided under this act on a quarterly basis and make adjustments subject to the availability of funding from the auto theft victim compensation account created in this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1963 by Representatives Goodman, Strow, O'Brien, Jarrett, Hurst, Miloscia, Roberts, Lantz, Kagi,

Darneille, Ericks, Flannigan, Hunter, Lovick, Rodne, Williams, Dunshee, Kenney, and Upthegrove

Authorizing earned release credit in county alternative sentencing programs.

Amends RCW 9.94A.680 relating to credit for time served in a presentence day reporting program.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Human Services.

HB 1964 by Representatives Morrell, Hinkle, Campbell, Green, Schual-Berke, Conway, Pettigrew, P. Sullivan, Crouse, Upthegrove, and Darneille

Studying adult family homes.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to conduct a comprehensive study that examines the current adult family home system in Washington state. Specifically, the study shall include: (1) A summary of how adult family homes fit into the long-term care system;

(2) An analysis of the current client acuity levels in adult family homes;

(3) An analysis of the training mechanism for caregivers in adult family homes;

(4) An analysis of the liability exemption for adult family homes;

(5) A regional needs analysis for adult family homes, broken down by city and county;

(6) An analysis of current regulation and oversight of adult family homes;

(7) An analysis of the average wages and benefits for adult family home caregivers; and

(8) An analysis of the average length of stay for caregivers in an adult family home.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to submit the final report to the legislature by October 31, 2007.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1965 by Representatives Eddy and Curtis

Authorizing major industrial development within industrial land banks.

Revises provisions authorizing major industrial development within industrial land banks.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1966 by Representatives Curtis, Cody, Skinner, Morrell, Green, Barlow, Darneille, Ormsby, and Schual-Berke

Clarifying the authority of physician assistants to sign and attest to documents.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.
- HB 1967 by Representatives Moeller, Skinner, Cody, Williams, Barlow, Rodne, Condotta, and Campbell

Providing for the reporting of physician convictions for driving while under the influence to an approved substance abuse program.

Provides that, upon a guilty plea or conviction of a person who is convicted of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, the court hearing the matter shall order that notice of the plea or conviction be provided to the department.

Requires that when the department receives notice that a person has pleaded guilty to or been convicted of a violation of RCW 46.61.502 or 46.61.504, the department shall transmit that information to the medical quality assurance commission. It is the duty of the medical quality assurance commission to identify if the person holds a medical license issued under chapter 18.71 RCW, and then refer such physician to a substance abuse program approved by the medical quality assurance commission pursuant to RCW 18.130.175.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 1968 by Representatives Simpson, Conway, and Ormsby

Requiring certification for sprinkler fitters.

Provides that no person may engage in the trade of fire protection sprinkler fitting without having a valid journeylevel sprinkler fitter certificate, residential sprinkler fitter certificate, training certificate, or temporary certificate, with the exception of a certified plumber installing a residential fire protection sprinkler system connected to potable water requiring a plumbing certificate.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1969 by Representatives Kenney, Anderson, O'Brien, McDonald, Pettigrew, Haler, Bailey, Grant, Ormsby, and Dunn

Authorizing employer tax incentives for the employment of students in math and science programs.

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-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1970 by Representatives Lantz, Linville, Seaquist, Armstrong, Morris, Curtis, Kessler, Moeller, Walsh, Hinkle, Morrell, Ericks, Condotta, Chandler, Conway, Wood, Anderson, Williams, and Kenney

Concerning the department of social and health services' technical assistance and audit program for pharmacy payments.

Declares an intent of the legislature that the regulatory and inspection program authorized in this act shall include: (1) A systematic pharmacy audit program for determining compliance with state and federal laws relating to payment for providing services to recipients under this act;

(2) A technical assistance program to identify pharmacies that could benefit from technical assistance from the department with regard to billing for payment, and to provide that assistance; and

(3) A systematic method to gather data for program improvement.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1971 by Representatives Ross, Ahern, Haler, Strow, Newhouse, Hinkle, McCune, and Campbell

Prohibiting vehicle and driver's license renewal due to unpaid traffic fines.

Provides that the director or the director's agents shall not renew a vehicle license unless the applicant has paid all monetary penalties for traffic infractions. This act does not apply to an applicant who is in compliance with a payment plan for monetary penalties with the court. For purposes of this act, "payment plan" has the same meaning as in RCW 46.63.110(6).

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1972 by Representatives Ross and Newhouse

Regarding proceeds from irrigation district foreclosure sales.

Amends RCW 87.06.080 relating to proceeds from irrigation district foreclosure sales.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 2 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1973 by Representatives Kagi, Clibborn, Jarrett, Flannigan, Hinkle, Green, Dickerson, Hunter, Kenney, and Goodman

Regarding drug and alcohol testing of commercial motor vehicle drivers involved in motor vehicle accidents.

Provides that a person may not drive, operate, or be in physical control of a commercial motor vehicle with the presence of any Schedule I drug, as listed in RCW 69.50.204, or its metabolite, or Schedule II drug, as listed in RCW 69.50.206, or its metabolite, in his or her blood and be involved in a motor vehicle accident in which there is: (1) A human fatality;

(2) Bodily injury to any person who, as a result of the injury, immediately receives medical treatment away from the scene of the accident; or

(3) One or more motor vehicles that incur disabling damage as a result of the accident, requiring the motor vehicle to be transported away from the scene by a tow truck or other motor vehicle.

Declares that it is an affirmative defense to a violation of this act, which the defendant must prove by a preponderance of the evidence, that the defendant had a valid prescription for any controlled substance consumed, and that the defendant consumed the controlled substance according to the prescription's directions and warnings.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1974 by Representatives Pearson, McDonald, Strow, Haler, Sump, Ericksen, Orcutt, Ahern, Bailey,

Kristiansen, Hinkle, Roach, Armstrong, Hailey, Skinner, Buri, Rodne, DeBolt, Schindler, Jarrett, Priest, Curtis, Ross, Kretz, Anderson, Hankins, Warnick, McCune, Alexander, Walsh, Dunn, Condotta, Crouse, Chandler, Newhouse, and Campbell

Limiting special sex offender sentencing alternatives to the immediate victim's family members.

Provides that an offender is eligible for the special sex offender sentencing alternative if: (1) The offender has not committed multiple acts constituting sex offenses against the same victim, regardless of whether the offender was subject to criminal charges for the acts;

(2) The offender is the immediate victim's family member;

(3) The testimony of the immediate victim of the crime is material to the case or necessary to the prosecution of the offender;

(4) The immediate victim refuses to cooperate in the investigation, or is unwilling, unable, or unavailable to testify;

(5) The immediate victim or immediate victim's family agrees to the sentence imposed under this act; and

(6) The offender's standard sentence range for the offense includes the possibility of confinement for less than eleven years.

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1975 by Representatives Springer, Condotta, and Wood

Addressing spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licenses.

Provides that the holder of a license with a catering endorsement may, under conditions established by the board, store liquor on the premises of another so long as there is a written agreement between the licensee and the other party to provide for ongoing catering services, the agreement contains no exclusivity clauses regarding the alcoholic beverages to be served, and the agreement is filed with the board.

Provides that the holder of a license with a catering endorsement may, under conditions established by the board, store liquor on other premises so long as the premises is owned or controlled by a leasehold interest by that licensee. A duplicate license may be issued for each additional premises. A license fee of twenty dollars shall be required for such duplicate licenses.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1976 by Representatives Morrell, Hinkle, Moeller, Haler, Orcutt, Williams, Schual-Berke, Linville, Fromhold, Armstrong, Curtis, Hunt, Pettigrew, Bailey, Green, Upthegrove, and Kenney

Establishing payments for medicaid contracted services in boarding homes.

Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2007, the rates of payment for boarding home medicaid contracted services under chapter 74.39A RCW shall be established by the department using the "home and community rates model," developed by the department and published on November 22, 2006. The "home and community rates model" shall be updated using the 2005 nursing home cost report data to estimate the cost of care for assisted living services, enhanced adult residential care services, and adult residential care services.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 1977 by Representatives Quall, Fromhold, Priest, Curtis, Ormsby, Hunt, P. Sullivan, Haigh, Dunn, Kenney, Morrell, and Wood

Regarding skill centers.

Finds that student access to programs offered at skill centers can help prepare them for careers, apprenticeships, and postsecondary education.

Finds that there are barriers to providing access to students in rural and remote areas but that there are opportunities to do so with satellite and branch campus programs, distance and online learning programs, and collaboration with higher education, business, and labor.

Finds that skill centers provide opportunities for dropout prevention and retrieval programs by offering programs that accommodate students' work schedules and provide credit retrieval opportunities. Finds that implementing the recommendations from the study by the workforce training and education coordinating board will enhance skill center programs and student access to those programs.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1978 by Representatives Quall, Newhouse, Roberts, Strow, and Dickerson

Regarding commercial ticket seller's services charges.

Requires any broadcast, print media, or written advertising by a commercial ticket seller to fully disclose the price of an admission ticket sold by the commercial ticket seller, including any order processing and delivery charges and other fees to be imposed in excess of the face value of a ticket.

Declares that it is unlawful for any commercial ticket seller to: (1) Fail to disclose to a purchaser, prior to any purchase of a ticket, any order processing and delivery charges and other fees to be imposed in excess of the face value of the ticket; or

(2) Fail to have the amount of any order processing and delivery charges and other fees or charges imprinted on the ticket.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.
- HB 1979 by Representatives Quall, Lovick, Haigh, Ormsby, Kenney, and Hurst

Changing requirements for safe school plans.

Declares that the legislature considers it to be a matter of public safety for public schools and staff to have current safe school plans and procedures in place, fully consistent with federal law. The legislature further finds and intends, by requiring safe school plans to be in place, that school districts will become eligible for federal assistance. The legislature further finds that schools are in a position to serve the community in the event of an emergency resulting from natural disasters or man-made disasters.

Requires each school district to adopt, no later than September 1, 2008, and implement a safe school plan consistent with the school mapping information system pursuant to RCW 36.28A.060.

Provides that educational service districts are encouraged to apply for federal emergency response and crisis management grants with the assistance of the superintendent of public instruction and the Washington emergency management division of the state military department.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1980 by Representatives Kelley, Santos, Ormsby, Roach, and Morrell

Regarding the financial literacy public-private partnership.

Provides that, to the extent funds are appropriated or are available for this purpose, the superintendent of public instruction and other members of the partnership created in RCW 28A.300.455 shall make available to school districts the list of identified financial literacy skills and knowledge, instructional materials, assessments, and other relevant information.

Encourages each school district to provide its students with an opportunity to master the financial literacy skills and knowledge developed under RCW 28A.300.460.

Provides that for the purposes of RCW 28A.300.455, 28A.300.460, and this act, it is not necessary to evaluate and apply the office of the superintendent of public instruction essential academic learning requirements or to develop grade level expectations.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the Washington financial literacy public-private partnership account for the purposes of RCW 28A.300.465.

Appropriates the sum of fifty thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the Washington financial literacy public-private partnership account for the purposes of RCW 28A.300.465.

Declares that the amounts in this act are provided solely for the purposes of RCW 28A.300.465. The superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee may authorize expenditure of the amounts provided in this act as equal matching amounts from nonstate sources are received in the Washington financial literacy public-private partnership account.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1981 by Representatives Hunter, Conway, Orcutt, Anderson, Santos, Kessler, Jarrett, Condotta,

and McIntire

Concerning the excise taxation of electronically delivered financial information.

Revises provisions concerning the excise taxation of electronically delivered financial information.

HB 1982 by Representative Ericksen

Regarding public-private agreements for expansion, operation, and maintenance of a portion of the Interstate 5 corridor.

Finds and declares that it is essential for the economic well-being of the state and for the maintenance of a high quality of life that the people of the state have an efficient transportation system. The ability of the state to provide an efficient transportation system will be enhanced by a public-private sector program providing for private entities to undertake the study, planning, design, development, acquisition, installation, construction or improvement, operation, and maintenance of existing transportation systems. In order to ensure the most effective operation of this program, it is appropriate to undertake a pilot project on a portion of the Interstate 5 corridor.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1983 by Representative Ericksen

Promoting competition for video services.

Finds that there has been only minimal competitive entry into the facilities-based video programming market since Washington's franchising requirements were first enacted.

Finds that the cable franchise requirements and associated build-out requirements have acted as a barrier to entry to many new facilities-based entrants, because timeto-market and reasonable cost of entry are critical for new entrants seeking to compete with the cable incumbents.

Provides that, to remove legal uncertainty under state law with respect to the authority of competitive cable service providers and video service providers to use the public rights-of-way to the extent the cable franchise requirements do not apply, and to promote competitive entry by all competitive cable service providers and video service providers, the state of Washington can and should provide a state-issued authorization for competitive cable service providers and video service providers to deploy their systems and provide cable service and video service to residents of the state. This state-issued grant will allow all competitive cable service providers and video service providers to move forward in making the significant investments required to provide new services and competition for video programming.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1984 by Representatives Ericksen, Dunn, Newhouse, Ahern, Hinkle, Kretz, Warnick, Crouse, Hailey, Schindler, Pearson, Haler, Kristiansen, Strow, Chandler, and Bailey

Enacting the right to farm act.

Finds that the state's agricultural industry is diversified, productive, and a major contributor to the Washington economy. Urban and rural communities statewide benefit from the direct and indirect jobs, income, and revenues generated by agricultural production. Agricultural land is essential to providing citizens with food and fiber and to ensuring aesthetic values through the preservation of open spaces.

Finds that excessive government regulation can cause agricultural land to be converted to nonagricultural uses, and that inconsistencies between federal and state regulations can cause confusion for those persons affected. In addition, agricultural activities conducted on farmland are often subjected to nuisance lawsuits that encourage and even force the premature removal of the lands from agricultural uses. The legislature further finds that for the agricultural industry to survive, farms must be able to adopt new technologies and to diversify into new products. The legislature intends with this act that agricultural activities conducted on farmland that are consistent with good agricultural practices will be protected from excessive, inconsistent regulation by government and from nuisance lawsuits.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1985 by Representatives Warnick, Newhouse, Kretz, Hailey, Haler, Chandler, McCune, Sump, Schindler, Hinkle, Bailey, Skinner, and Kristiansen

Defining "crop rotation" for the purposes of RCW 90.14.140(1)(k).

Defines "crop rotation" for the purposes of RCW 90.14.140(1)(k).

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1986 by Representatives Warnick, Kretz, Haler, Hinkle, Sump, Orcutt, Newhouse, Lantz, McCune, Armstrong, Kristiansen, and Rodne

Enhancing the punishment for theft when the damages to the victim greatly exceed the value of the stolen property.

Provides that in a prosecution for theft in the first or second degree, the prosecution may file a special allegation of disproportionate impact when sufficient admissible evidence exists, which, when considered with the most plausible, reasonably foreseeable defense that could be raised under the evidence, would justify a finding by a reasonable and objective fact-finder that the damage to the victim greatly exceeds the value of the stolen property.

Provides that, once a special allegation has been made under this act, the state has the burden to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the damage to the victim greatly exceeds the value of the stolen property. If a jury is had, the jury shall, if it finds the defendant guilty, also find a special verdict as to whether the damage to the victim greatly exceeds the value of the stolen property. If no jury is had, the court shall make a finding of fact as to whether the damage to the victim greatly exceeds the value of the stolen property.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness.

HB 1987 by Representatives Warnick, Armstrong, Haler, Hailey, Sump, McCune, VanDeWege, Skinner, Kristiansen, and Rodne

Exempting property owners from injury caused to another person as a result of metal theft.

Provides that a public or private landowner is not liable for unintentional injuries to any person when the injury is caused by the theft of copper, aluminum, steel, or other metal material from property owned by the landowner.

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1988 by Representatives Morrell, DeBolt, Lovick, Conway, Green, Hudgins, and Kenney

Changing provisions affecting security guards.

Provides that: (1) To promote the safety of persons and the security of property, the director shall meet with interested parties to develop lists of suggested preassignment, postassignment, and postassignment refresher training by rule. (2) All security guards licensed on or after July 1, 2005, must complete at least eight hours of preassignment training.

(3) All security guards must complete at least eight hours of initial postassignment training that shall be administered to each security guard by their company and attested to by a department-certified trainer.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1989 by Representative Dunn

Reducing taxes imposed on the provision of physical fitness services.

Reduces taxes imposed on the provision of physical fitness services.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1990 by Representative Dunn

Providing a property tax exemption for the owner of a mobile or manufactured home.

Provides a property tax exemption for the owner of a mobile or manufactured home.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1991 by Representatives Seaquist, McDonald, Quall, Campbell, Morrell, Hunt, Upthegrove, and Schual-Berke

Requiring the department of health to draft a strategic plan to decrease obesity rates.

Requires that, by January 1, 2010, the state department of health shall draft a strategic plan to decrease obesity rates in children and adults by ten percent. The department shall consult with physicians, health professionals, school educators, worksite wellness and employee benefits counselors, athletic trainers in schools, and professional athletes and trainers.

Requires that, in developing its strategic plan, the department shall address the following: (1) Identify barriers to effective control of obesity including the impact of diet, exercise, and lifestyle;

(2) Review the current health effects of obesity and morbid obesity including rampant diabetes and make recommendations on best practices and appropriate clinical guidelines to manage diabetes mellitus;

(3) Review current screening, treatment, and related activities in this state related to diabetes and identify gaps in service;

(4) Identify actions to be taken to reduce the morbidity and mortality from obesity and morbid obesity, including diabetes, by September 1, 2009; and

(5) Establish a timeline for taking those actions.

Directs the department to, by January 1, 2010, report its findings to the legislature and the governor's office. The report shall also include recommended policy and procedural changes, as well as required funding necessary to achieve the goals of the strategic plan.

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1992 by Representatives Santos, Kenney, and Hasegawa

Creating community preservation and development authorities.

Finds that major public facilities, public works, and capital projects with significant public funding generally aim to accrue broad benefits to the people of Washington. However, frequently overlooked or inadequately addressed is the interest of the stakeholder community that bears the disproportionate cost of the broad public benefit by absorbing a deleterious impact upon itself. These impacts may include dislocation, displacement, and the overall disintegration of an identifiable existing community and its historical and cultural character.

Finds that the preservation and restoration of the character of such a community, and the community's historical and cultural character, are important public policy goals that can be achieved through the creation of community preservation and development authorities.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Community & Economic Development & Trade.

HB 1993 by Representatives Barlow, Curtis, Schual-

Berke, Kagi, Cody, Hinkle, Green, B. Sullivan, Eddy, Pettigrew, P. Sullivan, Bailey, Schindler, Dickerson, Morrell, Kenney, Simpson, and Ormsby

Modifying credentialing standards for counselors. Revises credentialing standards for counselors.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1994 by Representatives Curtis, Ericks, Roberts, and Quall

Addressing overpayments received by courts.

Provides that courts may retain overpayments made in connection with any litigation, including traffic, criminal, and noncriminal matters, in an amount less than or equal to ten dollars. These overpayments shall be remitted by the clerk of the court to the local treasurer for deposit in the local current expense fund.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1995 by Representatives Blake, B. Sullivan, Kretz, Eickmeyer, Grant, Dickerson, Kenney, Linville, and Ormsby

Preparing a response to the consequences of climate change on the forests of the state.

Finds that minimizing the impacts of global climate change, and restoring the health and resiliency of eastern Washington's forests, will require an accelerated approach to research coupled with an aggressive outreach and training program to motivate an appropriate response on the ground. Better data can be used to mobilize ground responses with enhanced site-specific treatments.

Finds that investments made today, both in research, training, and on-the-ground treatments, will prove more cost-effective, conserve more resources, and save more firefighting costs than the option of doing nothing.

Directs the department of natural resources to contract with the college of forest resources at the University of Washington to: (1) Determine how treatments may be customized to site-specific conditions and to identify the most cost-effective treatments for reducing the risk of climate change and restoring forest health.

(2) Implement a program of technology transfer through a series of outreach activities, including trainer training, community group outreach, and the production of streaming video and other instructional materials concerning the risks of not responding to changing climatic conditions and the benefits of various treatment options.

(3) Develop methods by which state and federal agencies, private and community groups, and Indian tribes may directly assess the costs associated with different management options, including the cost of no action and how future costs can be avoided.

(4) Analyze the institutional cost accounting methods to demonstrate where savings are accumulated and where investments are most needed to restore forest health, and provide recommended alternatives that can improve the responsiveness of treatments, biomass collection, and infrastructure development investments aimed at reducing health risks as applied differently to federal, state, and private ownerships.

(5) Support other programs that assess the feasibility of converting large amounts of underutilized biomass into useful products and green energy by providing required analyses needed to efficiently collect and deliver biomass to green energy end users.

(6) Conduct a pilot project on a high hazard area of forest land that collects and analyzes remote sensing data, using tools such as light detection and ranging data, in order to rapidly track forest health changes and provide information for planning ground treatments and the design of a comprehensive health tracking and treatment planning system for state monitoring.

Appropriates the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the department of natural resources for the purposes of this act.

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- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

HB 1996 by Representatives O'Brien, Williams, Hunt, Roberts, Green, Hasegawa, Wood, Kenney, Simpson, Linville, and Ormsby

Protecting the rights of individuals with mental disorders. Directs the office of the state long-term care ombudsman to provide ombudsman services for persons receiving services from regional support networks and licensed service providers under chapter 71.24 RCW.

Repeals RCŴ 71.24.350.

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 1997 by Representatives Pearson and Kristiansen

Regarding medical providers receiving payment for authorized treatment in industrial insurance claims.

Amends RCW 51.36.080 relating to medical providers receiving payment for authorized treatment in industrial insurance claims.

HB 1998 by Representatives McCoy, B. Sullivan, Strow, Dunshee, Priest, Wood, Springer, and Linville

Providing for rural villages as a new strategy for growth in rural areas.

Finds that the population in western Washington is growing and will continue to grow. Models indicate that the central Cascades region can expect a doubling of the population within the next one hundred years.

Recognizes that the growth management act has used large lot zoning to discourage residential development of rural and resource lands, and that the increase in nonurban development has disproportionate undesirable impacts to landscape and watershed integrity, environmental functions, economic viability of resource lands, and public costs.

Declares that the most important component in building a successful transfer of development rights program is creating adequate receiving area capacity, and that it is a regional goal to direct growth to urban areas, and therefore it is a priority to develop this receiving capacity primarily in urban areas. In addition, the potential for additional receiving areas in appropriate nonurban areas is being explored concurrently.

Declares that a county planning under RCW 36.70A.040 may designate no more than one rural village in the rural area outside of limited areas of more intensive rural development established pursuant to RCW 36.70A.070(5)(d).

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 1999 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Priest, Appleton, Morrell, Simpson, and Linville

Creating a state revolving loan fund to provide financial assistance to local governments for the conservation of working farms and forests.

Creates a state revolving loan fund to provide financial assistance to local governments for the conservation of working farms and forests.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.

- HB 2000 by Representatives VanDeWege, Kessler, Ericks, and Morrell
- Concerning eligibility for health coverage.
- Repeals RCW 48.43.005 and 48.43.018 relating to eligibility for health coverage.
 - -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 - Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.
- HB 2001 by Representatives Newhouse, Chandler, Ross, and Hinkle

Regarding water conservancy boards.

Provides that the director's review is limited to compliance with established statutes. In the case of transfers affecting water supplies for an established municipality, the director's review shall also consider the requirements of other state and federal agencies mandating either sufficient sources of supply or requiring growth to occur within legally proscribed boundaries, or both. The director shall not condition or modify board decisions unless they are arbitrary and capricious.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.
- HB 2002 by Representatives Newhouse, Chandler, Ross, Hinkle, and Haler

Phasing out building permit moratoriums for cities with unprocessed water right permit applications.

Phases out building permit moratoriums for cities with unprocessed water right permit applications.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.
- HB 2003 by Representatives Alexander, Hunt, Morrell, and Ormsby

Implementing a pilot program for the business enterprises program.

Directs the department to implement a pilot program within existing resources to require a licensee to subcontract with a commercial food service establishment to operate a full-service food establishment in the Pritchard building and, if feasible, at a satellite location in the legislative building.

Requires the pilot program to be implemented as provided in this act, after June 30, 2007, but by no later than January 1, 2008.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 5 First reading, referred to State

Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2004 by Representatives Rolfes, Armstrong, Eddy, Appleton, Clibborn, and Jarrett

Providing comprehensive membership of significant jurisdictions on the executive board of regional transportation planning organizations. Provides comprehensive membership of significant jurisdictions on the executive board of regional transportation planning organizations.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

- HB 2005 by Representatives Moeller, Wallace, Eddy, and Fromhold
- Revising requirements for petitions for annexation. Revises requirements for petitions for annexation. Repeals RCW 35.13.171, 35.13.172, 35.13.173, and 35.13.174.
 - -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 - Feb 5 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2006 by Representatives Moeller and Eddy

- Authorizing interlocal agreements for annexation. Authorizes interlocal agreements for annexation.
 - -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
 - Feb 5 First reading, referred to Local Government.

HB 2007 by Representatives Eddy and Crouse

Defining allowable fuel blends. Defines allowable fuel blends.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.
- HB 2008 by Representatives VanDeWege, Kessler, Haigh, Takko, and Ericks

Creating a cooperative agreement relating to the timber harvest excise taxation of timber harvests within the Quinault Indian Reservation.

Creates a cooperative agreement relating to the timber harvest excise taxation of timber harvests within the Quinault Indian Reservation.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2009 by Representatives Haigh, Hunt, Ericks, Conway, Hasegawa, and Ormsby

Modifying trench excavations on public works projects provisions.

Amends RCW 39.04.180 relating to trench excavations on public works projects.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.
- HB 2010 by Representatives Haigh, Hunt, Ericks, Conway, Haler, Green, Hasegawa, Appleton,

Campbell, Sells, Kenney, VanDeWege, Cody, Hurst, McDermott, Simpson, and Ormsby

Providing responsible bidder criteria and related requirements for public works contracts.

Provides that before award of a public works contract, a bidder must meet the following responsibility criteria to be considered a responsible bidder and qualified to be awarded a public works project. The bidder must have: (1) At the time of bid submittal, a certificate of registration in compliance with chapter 18.27 RCW;

(2) A current state unified business identifier number;

(3) If applicable, industrial insurance coverage for the bidder's employees working in Washington as required in Title 51 RCW; an employment security department number as required in Title 50 RCW; and a state excise tax registration number as required in Title 82 RCW; and

(4) Not been disqualified from bidding on any public works contract under RCW 39.06.010 or 39.12.065(3).

Provides that in addition to the bidder responsibility criteria, the state or municipality may adopt supplemental criteria for determining bidder responsibility applicable to a particular project.

Requires public works contractors to verify that their first tier subcontractors meet the bidder responsibility criteria listed in this act at the time of award, and any subcontractor that hires other subcontractors must verify that their subcontractors meet the responsibility criteria listed in this act at the time of award.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 5 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2011 by Representatives Flannigan, Armstrong, Wallace, Buri, Linville, Sells, Hasegawa, Wood, Kenney, Simpson, Ormsby, and Schual-Berke

Including students from public institutions of higher education in the commute trip reduction program.

Finds that it is in the interests of our state to extend the commute trip reduction program to include not only employees, but also students from public institutions of higher education. Traffic congestion is a serious problem that affects the health and safety of everyone in the state. Therefore, the inclusion of students in the commute trip reduction programs that public universities are already operating for their employees would be greatly beneficial in reaching this state's existing policy goals of reducing traffic and improving environmental quality.

Requires each public institution of higher education to maintain at least one full-time equivalent employee for the purpose of managing the public institution's commute trip reduction program to ensure that the program is offered to students in addition to employees, as required under this act.

Appropriates the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to each public institution of higher education, as defined in this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2012 by Representatives Springer, B. Sullivan, VanDeWege, Haigh, Eickmeyer, Sells, Hunt, O'Brien, Green, and Pearson

Concerning treatment products for use in drain fields of on-site sewage disposal systems.

Declares that manufacturers of proprietary treatment products that use soil-based denitrification processes in the drain fields of on-site sewage disposal systems are exempted from registering such proprietary treatment products with the department only if the following conditions are met: (1) The proprietary treatment product must conform to the universal plumbing code;

(2) Any biological component used in the proprietary treatment product must meet the conditions of RCW 70.118.060 relating to additive regulation;

(3) For purposes of product testing, sampling for total nitrogen discharge to the soil is drawn using a soil vacuum lysimeter or by other means approved by the department;

(4) The results of product testing in the soil surrounding the drain field test sites must be at or below ten parts per million of total nitrogen;

(5) Testing data is submitted to the department for review and approval or denial; and

(6) The proprietary treatment product is installed into a septic system with a preexisting on-site permit.

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Select Committee on Environmental Health.

HB 2013 by Representatives Williams, O'Brien, Ericks, Appleton, and Ormsby

Authorizing tribal and Indian nation law enforcement officers to act as Washington state peace officers.

Authorizes tribal and Indian nation law enforcement officers to act as Washington state peace officers.

Government & Tribal Affairs.

HB 2014 by Representatives Chase, Santos, Kenney, Hasegawa, Miloscia, Simpson, and Ormsby

Addressing the regulation of conversion condominiums.

Provides that a notice of condominium conversion expressly states whether there is a county or city relocation assistance program for tenants or subtenants of conversion condominiums in the jurisdiction in which the property is located.

Requires a declarant of condominium conversion to pay relocation assistance, in an amount to be determined by the city or county, to tenants and subtenants who meet requirements under this act.

Provides that a declarant of condominium conversion and any dealer shall not begin any construction, remodeling, or repairs to any portion of a building that is to be converted to a condominium or the lot on which the conversion condominium is located: (1) During the one hundred twenty-day notice period provided for in this act; or

(2) Earlier than twelve hours after the last tenant or subtenant, who elected not to purchase a unit and who is in lawful occupancy, has vacated the premises. Provides that any city, town, code city, or county legislative authority may adopt laws or ordinances that restrict the number of conversion condominiums that are approved annually or within any other time period chosen by the legislative authority.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 5 First reading, referred to Housing.

HB 2015 by Representatives Schual-Berke, McIntire, Cody, Morrell, and Kenney

Licensing genetic counselors.

Requires the secretary to issue a license to any applicant who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the secretary that the applicant meets the following requirements: (1) Graduation from a master's or doctorate program in genetic counseling or medical genetics approved by the secretary;

(2) Successful completion of any clinical experience requirements established by the secretary; and

(3) Successful completion of an examination administered or approved by the secretary.

Creates the advisory committee on genetic counseling.

Provides that an applicant holding a license in another state may be licensed to practice in this state without examination if the secretary determines that the licensing standards of the other state are substantially equivalent to the licensing standards of this state.

Provides that a person not licensed with the secretary to practice genetic counseling may not represent himself or herself as a "genetic counselor," "licensed genetic counselor," "gene counselor," "genetic consultant," "genetic associate," or other letters, words, signs, numbers, or insignia indicating or implying that he or she is a genetic counselor.

Gives the secretary authority under chapter 18.130 RCW in relation to genetic counselors licensed under this act.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2016 by Representatives Springer, Lantz, Wallace, Seaquist, P. Sullivan, Moeller, Lovick, Takko, Kessler, Morrell, Rolfes, Ericks, VanDeWege, Goodman, Simpson, Linville, and Ormsby

Changing provisions pertaining to eminent domain.

Requires that, when real property is acquired through condemnation or under the threat of condemnation, the owner of the property may retain an option to repurchase the property in accordance with this act.

Requires that additional notice be given to property owners.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 2017 by Representatives Ericks, Lovick, O'Brien, and Dunshee

Designating state route number 527 as a highway of statewide significance.

Designates state route number 527 as a highway of statewide significance.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 2018 by Representatives McDermott, Ormsby, Appleton, Miloscia, Hunt, Hasegawa, and Conway

Requiring the licensing of paid initiative signaturegatherers.

Requires the licensing of paid initiative signaturegatherers.

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	Government & Tribal Affairs.
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Feb 9 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

HB 2019 by Representatives McDermott, Ormsby, Appleton, Miloscia, Hunt, Kessler, Hasegawa,

and Kenney

Requiring signature gatherers of ballot measure petitions to sign petition declarations under oath.

Requires signature gatherers of ballot measure petitions to sign petition declarations under oath.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to State Government & Tribal Affairs.
- Feb 9 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)
- HB 2020 by Representatives Condotta, Ahern, Ormsby, and Dunn

Authorizing cigar rooms.

Authorizes cigar rooms.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HB 2021 by Representatives Conway, Condotta, and Ormsby; by request of Liquor Control Board

Creating a spirits, beer, and wine nightlife liquor license and removing spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license limit.

Creates a spirits, beer, and wine nightlife liquor license.

Removes the spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license limit.

HB 2022 by Representatives McIntire, Condotta, Linville, Sump, Grant, Buri, Takko, Morrell, and Simpson

Increasing assistance to cities and counties.

Provides that beginning on July 1, 2007, the state treasurer shall transfer annually the sum of ten million dollars from the state general fund into the city-county assistance account.

Exempts transfers to the city-county assistance account under RCW 43.08.290 from the requirement that the state expenditure limit be lowered to reflect the shift.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2023 by Representatives Schual-Berke, Hinkle, Cody, Campbell, Darneille, Walsh, Morrell, Seaquist, Hunter, Hunt, Dunshee, Ericks, Haigh, Simpson, and Ormsby

Establishing newborn screening fees.

Provides that the department has the authority to collect a fee of sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents, from the parents or other responsible party of each infant screened to fund specialty clinics that provide treatment services for hemoglobin diseases, phenylketonuria, and congenital adrenal hyperplasia. The fee may be collected through the facility where the screening specimen is obtained.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

HB 2024 by Representatives Darneille, Jarrett, Goodman, Eddy, Pedersen, Hudgins, Williams, Lantz, Kessler, Appleton, Clibborn, Hasegawa, Upthegrove, O'Brien, McDermott, and Ormsby

Regarding the University of Washington law school loan repayment assistance program.

Provides for the partial or full repayment of educational loans of University of Washington law school graduates who provide legal services in a public service area of the law within Washington state.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
- HB 2025 by Representatives Santos, Haigh, Kessler, Schual-Berke, Hasegawa, and Ormsby

Requiring development and adoption of a statewide common school curriculum.

Provides that, by January 15, 2009, within existing resources appropriated for the administration of the Washington assessment of student learning, the superintendent of public instruction shall develop a comprehensive and grade-appropriate curriculum for the instruction of students in kindergarten and grades one through twelve in the content areas assessed by the Washington assessment of student learning. The superintendent shall periodically reevaluate the curriculum to ensure that it reflects any changes to the content areas assessed by the Washington assessment of student learning. In developing the curriculum, the superintendent shall consider input from educators, parents, publishers of textbooks and related materials, and other interested parties.

Provides that beginning with the 2009-10 school year, all common school districts shall adopt the statewide curriculum developed by the superintendent of public instruction under this section to instruct students in kindergarten and grades one through twelve in those content areas addressed by the curriculum. This section does not preclude a school district from providing instruction in addition to that provided by the curriculum.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2026 by Representatives Santos, McDermott, Haigh,

P. Sullivan, Ericks, Simpson, Ormsby, and Hasegawa

Regarding recruiter access to student records.

Provides that a school or a school district that allows access to students or student records by military recruiters also must allow access on the same basis and to the same extent to students and student records by recruiters and representatives of the job corps, the peace corps, and AmeriCorps.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 2027 by Representative Santos

Using postdated checks or drafts as security for small loans.

Provides that a licensee may not permit a borrower to redeem a postdated check with a payment of cash or the equivalent of cash. A licensee must deposit all postdated checks or drafts as soon as practicable after the date of the check or draft has passed.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Insurance, Financial Service & Consumer Protection.

HB 2028 by Representatives Santos, McIntire, Schual-Berke, Ericks, Conway, Simpson, and Ormsby

Modifying senior citizen property tax provisions.

Provides that a person who otherwise qualifies under this act and has a combined disposable income of fifty thousand dollars or less but greater than income threshold 3 as provided in this act, the valuation of the residence shall be the assessed value of the residence for the previous year, plus two percent. For counties that do not revalue property annually, the valuation of the residence shall be the previous assessed value plus two percent for each year since the previous revaluation of the residence. If the person subsequently fails to qualify under this subsection only for one year because of high income, the valuation of the residence upon regualification shall be calculated as if the person had been qualified the previous year. If the person fails to qualify for more than one year in succession because of high income or fails to qualify for any other reason, the valuation upon requalification shall be the assessed value on January 1st of the assessment year in which the person regualifies.

Provides that a deferral under this act must have been granted for the claimant's residence for taxes levied for collection in 2008. Eligible deferrals may be renewed as provided in this act, but new deferrals may not be granted for taxes levied for collection after 2008.

Provides that the valuation of a residence determined under RCW 84.36.381(7) shall apply for the levies of all taxing districts, unless the legislative authority of a county adopts an ordinance or resolution providing that valuations under RCW 84.36.381(7) do not apply within the county. If such an ordinance or resolution is adopted, valuations under RCW 84.36.381(7) do not apply to the levy of any taxing district upon property within the county, except the levy by the state. If the ordinance or resolution is repealed, valuation of a residence determined under RCW 84.36.381(7) applies to the levies of all taxing districts upon property within the county.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 2029 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Newhouse, Blake, Appleton, and Linville; by request of Department of Ecology

Modifying provisions affecting underground storage tanks. Revises provisions affecting underground storage tanks.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Agriculture & Natural Resources.
- HB 2030 by Representatives Priest, Jarrett, Anderson, Haler, and Newhouse

Regarding high school mathematics and science standards, curriculum, and assessments.

Makes adjustments to the mathematics and science standards and state assessments.

Defines a minimum level of knowledge and skills in mathematics and science that will be assessed on a statewide basis for purposes of individual, state, and federal accountability.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Education.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4013 by Representatives Warnick, Ahern, Sump, McCune, Pearson, and Dunn

Requesting that the words "under God" remain in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Requests that the words "under God" remain in the Pledge of Allegiance.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HJM 4014 by Representatives Morrell, Cody, Darneille, Hankins, Lovick, Linville, Kessler, Morris, Goodman, Clibborn, Williams, Green, Grant, Kagi, Moeller, Conway, Seaquist, Kenney, McIntire, Schual-Berke, and Hurst

Requesting that Congress amend the Tax Reform Act of 1954, Medicaid, and Medicare and grant authority on allocation of health care dollars.

Requests that Congress amend the Tax Reform Act of 1954, Medicaid, and Medicare and grant authority on allocation of health care dollars.

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

HJM 4015 by Representatives Ormsby, Priest, Fromhold, Orcutt, Sells, Hankins, Hasegawa, Kenney, and Morrell

Petitioning congress to change the definition of highly qualified teachers to include career and technical teachers hired directly from industry.

Requests that the President and Congress make a positive change in the definition of highly qualified teachers under the No Child Left Behind Act to include career and technical teachers who come to the teaching profession directly from industry.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HJM 4016 by Representatives Seaquist, Hinkle, Pettigrew, Ormsby, Priest, Anderson, Wood, Hankins, Quall, Cody, Appleton, Morrell, Green, Kelley, Schual-Berke, Hasegawa, Rolfes, Campbell, Ericks, Kenney, VanDeWege, Conway, Goodman, Simpson, and Linville

Requesting that Congress reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

Requests that Congress reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program, and appropriate sufficient funds to cover all children eligible for the program.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4221 by Representatives Hankins, Haler, Wood, Morris, Chase, Hudgins, and Ormsby

Amending the Constitution to provide for a majority of fifty-five percent of voters voting to authorize a school levy.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide for a majority of fifty-five percent of voters voting to authorize a school levy.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Education.

Senate Bills

SB 5823 by Senators Fairley, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Prohibiting discrimination based on lawful source of income.

Provides that "lawful source of income" means verifiable legal income, including income derived from employment, social security, supplemental security income, other retirement programs, child support, alimony, and any federal, state, local, or nonprofit-administered benefit or subsidy programs, including housing assistance, public assistance, and general assistance programs.

Declares that "service animal" means an animal that is trained for the purpose of assisting or accommodating the sensory, mental, or physical disability of a person with disabilities.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Consumer Protection & Housing.

SB 5824 by Senators Tom, Weinstein, Kauffman, Marr, Murray, Eide, and Berkey

Requiring a permit to use studded tires.

Finds that substantial pavement damage is caused by studded tire use. Wisconsin and Minnesota are among the states that have prohibited the use of studded tires for this reason. Therefore, to offset pavement maintenance and preservation costs, an annual fee is established to recognize and recover the cost of studded tire damage to the roadways.

Declares that it is a traffic infraction to use metal studs imbedded within the tire at any time without a permit. Upon the payment of an additional fee of one hundred dollars at the time of initial vehicle licensing or vehicle license renewal, the department of licensing shall issue a permit for the use of studded tires on a particular vehicle for the following year. In addition to any applicable penalties, a person who violates this subsection must pay the one hundred-dollar permit fee.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5825 by Senators Tom, Kohl-Welles, Oemig, Berkey, Kauffman, Rockefeller, Prentice, Fairley, Fraser, Keiser, Hobbs, Regala, Murray, Kline, and Shin

Limiting the sale and serving of minimally nutritional food on public school campuses.

Limits the sale and serving of minimally nutritional food on public school campuses.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- SB 5826 by Senators Berkey, Benton, Roach, Zarelli, Kauffman, Marr, Kilmer, Carrell, Hobbs, Schoesler, Franklin, Haugen, and Shin

Modifying consumer credit report provisions.

Revises consumer credit report provisions.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5827 by Senators Hobbs, Weinstein, Oemig, Fairley, Pridemore, Keiser, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Prentice, Kline, and Rasmussen

Regarding consumer privacy.

Amends RCW 19.182.020 relating to consumer privacy.

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- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Consumer Protection & Housing.Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in
- Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5828 by Senators Kauffman, McAuliffe, Tom, Rasmussen, Eide, Oemig, Clements, Hobbs, Weinstein, Rockefeller, Kline, and Kohl-Welles

Regarding early child development and learning.

Finds that education is the single most effective investment that can be made in children, the state, the economy, and the future. A well-educated citizenry is essential both for the preservation of democracy and for enhancing the state's ability to compete in the knowledgebased global economy.

Declares that the overarching goal for education in the state is to have a world-class, learner-focused, seamless education system that educates more Washingtonians to the highest levels of educational attainment.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- Feb 7 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5829 by Senators Kauffman, Kastama, Shin, Kilmer, and Rasmussen

Expanding export assistance to businesses throughout the state.

Finds that currently the overwhelming majority of companies assisted by the department of community, trade, and economic development in export sales are located in the Puget Sound or Spokane regions and that there is a need for better outreach to all areas of the state in order to help new-to-export companies compete in the global marketplace.

Finds that there exists a need to locate more overseas offices in regions of strategic importance to the state.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Management.

SB 5830 by Senators Kauffman, Brown, Rasmussen, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, McAuliffe, and Shin

Providing home visitation services for families.

Provides home visitation services for families.

Finds that the farther behind children are in their social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development the more difficult it will be for them to catch up.

Finds that a significant number of children age birth to five years are born with two or more of the following risk factors and have a greater chance of failure in school and beyond: Poverty; single or no parent; no parent employed full time or full year; all parents with disability; mother without a high school degree; and no parent fluent in English.

Finds that parents and children involved in home visitation programs exhibit better birth outcomes, enhanced parent and child interactions, more efficient use of health care services, enhanced child development, and early detection of developmental delays, as well as reduced

welfare dependence, higher rates of school completion and job retention, reduction in frequency and severity of maltreatment, and higher rates of school graduation.

Declares an intent to promote the use of home visitation services as an early intervention strategy to alleviate the effect risk factors have on child development.

Requires the council to fund evidence-based, researchbased, and promising programs for home visitation for improving parenting skills and outcomes for children. Home visitation programs may include but are not limited to programs designed to address the needs of families with risk factors listed in this act.

Repeals RCW 43.70.530.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.
- SB 5831 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Keiser, and Murray

Providing for the certification of mechanics performing heating, ventilating, air conditioning, refrigeration, and gas piping work.

Provides for the certification of mechanics performing heating, ventilating, air conditioning, refrigeration, and gas piping work.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5832 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Clements, Keiser, and Kline

Regarding automatic sprinkler systems in nightclubs.

Requires that the automatic sprinkler systems be installed by December 1, 2009.

Provides that, if a lessee of the real property has paid for all expenses associated with the installation and purchase of the automatic sprinkler system, then the benefit of the exemption must inure to the lessee.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5833 by Senators Hargrove and Carrell

Requiring the filing of a certificate of merit when a claim is filed against a design professional.

Provides that, if a claim is filed in any forum against a design professional in which loss is alleged to have been caused by an act or omission that violates the standard of care, a claimant must file a certificate of merit at the time of filing the claim. If the claim is filed within forty-five days prior to the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations, the claimant must file the certificate of merit no later than forty-five days after filing the claim.

Provides that a failure to file a certificate of merit that complies with the requirements of this act is grounds for dismissal of the claim.

Provides that, if a claim is dismissed for failure to file a certificate of merit that complies with the requirements of this act, the filing of the claim against the design professional shall not be used against the design professional in professional liability insurance rate setting, personal credit history, or professional licensing or credentialing.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5834 by Senator Jacobsen

Licensing consulting foresters.

Finds that it is a matter of public necessity that forest resources in Washington be managed properly. It is the intent to provide for the protection and benefit of the public by ensuring application of the highest standards relative to the practice of consulting forestry and to provide protection of the public from unqualified consulting forestry practitioners.

Provides that no person shall receive income, whether directly or indirectly, for engaging in the practice of consulting forestry, or advertise as engaging in such practice, or solicit business in such practice, including but not limited to foresters whose responsibilities include industry-sponsored forestry assistance programs for landowners and government foresters who advise private landowners, unless the person holds a valid license issued by the board.

Declares that the minimum requirements for licensure as a consulting forester prior to January 1, 2010, are: (1) Evidence of seven or more years' experience in practicing forestry and performing the services of a consulting forester that is satisfactory to the board; or

(2) Passage of a written examination administered by the board indicating that the applicant is competent to practice consulting forestry.

Declares that the minimum requirements for licensure after January 1, 2010, are: (1) Graduation in forestry or a related field, requiring study of four years or more, from a school, college, or university approved by the board;

(2) Evidence of five or more years' experience in practicing forestry and performing the services of a consulting forester satisfactory to the board; and

(3) Passage of a written examination administered by the board indicating that the applicant is competent to practice consulting forestry.

Declares that the board has the power, after notice and hearing, to suspend or revoke the license of any licensee or assess administrative penalties against a licensee who: (1) Is found liable for fraud, deceit, gross negligence, gross incompetency, or gross misconduct in the practice of consulting forestry;

(2) Is found liable by the board of unprofessional or unethical conduct;

(3) Has had his or her license suspended or revoked for cause in another jurisdiction;

(4) Fails to comply with the continuing education requirements established by the board;

(5) Has directly or indirectly through another person or entity, purchased or attempted to purchase timber from a landowner while providing forestry services for the landowner;

(6) Gives false or forged evidence of any kind to the board in obtaining a license;

(7) Uses an expired or revoked license; or

(8) Endorses any plan, specification, estimate, map, or related document unless he or she actually prepared or directly supervised the preparation of such document.

Declares that it is a misdemeanor for any person to: (1) Practice consulting forestry without being licensed in accordance with this act;

(2) Use in connection with his or her name, or otherwise assume, use, or advertise any title or description tending to convey the impression that he or she is a licensed consulting forester without being licensed in accordance with this act;

(3) Present or attempt to use as his or her own the license of another;

(4) Give false or forged evidence of any kind to the board in obtaining a license;

(5) Use an expired or revoked license; or

(6) Endorse any plan, specification, estimate, map, or related document unless he or she actually prepared or directly supervised the preparation of such document.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5835 by Senators Berkey, Delvin, and Hewitt

Excluding self-service laundry from the definition of retail sale for excise tax purposes.

Excludes self-service laundry from the definition of retail sale for excise tax purposes.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5836 by Senators Fairley, Roach, Kline, and Pridemore

Addressing the timing of accrual of property tax revenues. Revises provisions addressing the timing of accrual of property tax revenues.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5837 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Fraser, Rockefeller, Hobbs, Delvin, Tom, Prentice, McAuliffe, Jacobsen, and Kline

Monitoring federal and state nondiscrimination in education laws, rules, and regulations.

Finds that Washington state and the nation benefit from equal educational opportunities for all students and employees of the public schools.

Finds that in recognition of this benefit, numerous existing state and federal constitutional provisions, laws, rules, and regulations prohibit, and provide redress against, harassment and discrimination. In doing so, these laws and regulations promote the protection and well-being of students and staff.

Finds that lack of monitoring compliance with these laws and regulations significantly weakens these protections and that the state has a responsibility to identify noncompliance, coordinate resources, and provide a greater presence by monitoring compliance more frequently than is currently done.

Recognizes that regular and increased monitoring can play an important role in preventing problems from arising by ensuring the school district's understanding of its responsibilities under state and federal law; can benefit the state by reducing the costs associated with complaints and lawsuits due to noncompliance; and will further protect Washington's students from suffering the harmful effects of discrimination, harassment, and sexual misconduct.

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5838 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Clements, and Delvin

Addressing spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licenses.

Revises provisions regarding spirits, beer, and wine restaurant licenses.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5839 by Senators Benton, Stevens, and Hargrove

Revising provisions relating to nonmandatory reporting of child abuse or neglect.

Requires the report to be in writing and signed under penalty of perjury, unless the person reasonably believes that an emergency exists where the child's welfare is in danger, in which case the initial report may be oral and followed by the written report.

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5840 by Senator Benton

Providing temporary permits for salvage vehicles awaiting inspection.

Provides that the department shall issue a temporary permit that consists of a system-generated permit and a temporary license plate that may be used in lieu of a registration certificate and license plates when the vehicle: (1) Has been declared a salvage vehicle under RCW 46.12.070; and

(2) Is scheduled for an inspection by the Washington state patrol.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5841 by Senators Hobbs, McAuliffe, Rockefeller, Tom, Oemig, Kauffman, Regala, Kohl-Welles,

and Rasmussen

Enhancing student learning opportunities and achievement.

Requires schools receiving all-day kindergarten program support to agree to the following conditions: (1) Providing at least a one thousand-hour instructional program;

(2) Providing a curriculum that offers a rich, varied set of experiences that assist students in: (a) developing initial skills in the academic areas of reading, mathematics, and writing; (b) developing a variety of communication skills; (c) providing experiences in science, social studies, arts, health and physical education, and a world language other than English; (d) acquiring large and small motor skills; (e) acquiring social and emotional skills including successful participation in learning activities as an individual and as part of a group; (f) establishing learning environments that are developmentally appropriate and promote creativity; and (g) learning through hands-on experiences;

(3) Demonstrating strong connections and communication with early learning community providers; and

(4) Participating in kindergarten program readiness activities with early learning providers and parents.

Requires the Washington state institute for public policy to conduct an evaluation of the demonstration projects under this act. Student, staff, program, and parent data shall be collected using various instruments including surveys, program and activity descriptions, student performance measures, observations, and other processes.

Requires the institute for public policy to report its findings to the governor, the office of the superintendent of public instruction, and the appropriate early learning, education, and fiscal committees of the legislature. An interim report is due November 1, 2008. The final report is due December 1, 2009.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- Feb 8 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5842 by Senators Oemig, McAuliffe, Zarelli, Tom, Weinstein, Kauffman, Rockefeller, Hobbs, and Kohl-Welles

Regarding education system benchmarks and monitoring.

Finds that the existing school district budget review system focuses on current school year budget implementation and preparation of the ensuing school year budget and does not provide a systematic look of longerrange budget issues, including any indication of impending financial problems in school districts and the financial impact of long-term contractual agreements. Parents, students, taxpayers, school employees, and school administrators need a financial monitoring system that considers long-term budgeting issues and commitments, and provides early warning of school district financial health concerns. Once financial concerns and issues are identified, districts should receive early, practical assistance.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the office of financial management to present proposed system measures and a financial health outlook rating system to the governor by November 1, 2007. Subject to agreement between the governor and the superintendent of public instruction on the measures and the rating system, the financial health and monitoring system shall be implemented during the 2008-09 school year.

Directs the office of the superintendent of public instruction, with regional financial specialists contracted through educational service districts, to provide progressive levels of technical assistance to school districts in the lowest two categories on the financial health outlook rating system.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to submit a report summarizing the review and reporting recommendations in this act to the governor and the education and fiscal committees of the legislature by November 15, 2007.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.
- Feb 7 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5843 by Senators Oemig, Tom, Rockefeller, Zarelli, and Keiser

Regarding educational data and data systems.

Finds that: (1) Reliable data on student progress, characteristics of students and schools, and teacher qualifications and mobility is critical for accountability to the state and to the public;

(2) Educational data should be made available as widely as possible while appropriately protecting the privacy of individuals as provided by law;

(3) School districts and the office of the superintendent of public instruction need robust and compatible data systems and programs to reduce inefficiencies caused by the lack of connectivity and to minimize or eliminate multiple data entry; and

(4) Schools and districts should be supported in their management of educational data and should have access to user-friendly programs and reports that can be readily used by classroom teachers and building principals to improve instruction.

Requires the office of the superintendent of public instruction and educational service districts to provide training to school and school district personnel on: (1) The importance of accurate and timely collection and submission of educational data;

(2) Troubleshooting potential data problems and common errors;

(3) Maintaining appropriate privacy and confidentiality of data; and

(4) Ways to use educational data to inform decision making and classroom instruction.

Provides that, by the beginning of the 2008-09 school year, the office of the superintendent of public instruction shall develop and disseminate recommended guidelines for training, professional development, certification, and compensation of school data quality specialists.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5844 by Senators Roach, Jacobsen, Rockefeller, Rasmussen, and Sheldon

Concerning specialized forest products and specialty wood. Revises provisions relating to specialized forest products and specialty wood.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5845 by Senators Keiser, Clements, Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Delvin, and Prentice

Changing provisions affecting security guards.

Provides that: (1) To promote the safety of persons and the security of property, the director shall meet with interested parties to develop lists of suggested preassignment, postassignment, and postassignment refresher training by rule.

(2) All security guards licensed on or after July 1, 2005, must complete at least eight hours of preassignment training.

(3) All security guards must complete at least eight hours of initial postassignment training that shall be administered to each security guard by their company and attested to by a department-certified trainer.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5846 by Senators Hargrove, Hatfield, Sheldon, Delvin, and Shin

Authorizing the use of hotel and motel tax proceeds for public safety activities directed towards certain tourism areas.

Authorizes the use of hotel and motel tax proceeds for public safety activities directed towards certain tourism areas.

Finds that the demands made on law enforcement by seasonal tourist populations in cities or towns with populations under ten thousand are above and beyond the abilities of the permanent residents of these cities or towns to fund.

 -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION - Feb 2 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Trade & Management.

SB 5847 by Senators Kline and Brandland

Addressing overpayments received by courts.

Provides that courts may retain overpayments made in connection with any litigation, including traffic, criminal, and noncriminal matters, in an amount less than or equal to ten dollars. These overpayments shall be remitted by the clerk of the court to the local treasurer for deposit in the local current expense fund.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5848 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Franklin, Murray, Keiser, Rasmussen, Kline, and McAuliffe

Extending prohibition of mandatory overtime to nurses in the public sector.

Revises the mandatory overtime prohibition applicable to nurses, but only with respect to increasing the types of health care facilities that are subject to the prohibition from requiring nurses to perform overtime work.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5849 by Senators Morton, Honeyford, and Holmquist

Concerning the relinquishment of a water right.

Declares that, for purposes of this act, a person shall not be deemed to have voluntarily failed to beneficially use said water right if the person has continued to use at least a portion of said right for the established purpose of use.

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Feb 2	First reading, referred to Water, Energy &
	Telecommunications.

Feb 6 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)

SB 5850 by Senators Fraser, Kastama, Franklin, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, and Kline

Protecting the rights of individuals with mental disorders.

Directs the office of the state long-term care ombudsman to provide ombudsman services for persons receiving services from regional support networks and licensed service providers under chapter 71.24 RCW.

Repeals RCW 71.24.350. -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5851 by Senators Jacobsen, Benton, Zarelli, Prentice, Honeyford, and Rasmussen

Preserving rail facilities and railroads by retaining and reusing rail and crossing material.

Finds that there are insufficient resources for public or privately owned rail systems to adequately address rail infrastructure needs. Rail material that can be used for priority rail projects either sits idle, is sold for scrap, or is shipped out of state.

Finds that where rail-related operations or facilities benefit or have benefited from public investment through grants, loans, tax relief, or partnerships with local, state, or federal governments or port districts, there is a public interest in ensuring that available rail and crossing materials be retained and reused to modify or improve existing rail facilities.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5852 by Senators Kline, Poulsen, Jacobsen, and Rasmussen

Providing for rural villages as a new strategy for growth in rural areas.

Finds that the population in western Washington is growing and will continue to grow. Models indicate that the central Cascades region can expect a doubling of the population within the next one hundred years.

Recognizes that the growth management act has used large lot zoning to discourage residential development of rural and resource lands, and that the increase in nonurban development has disproportionate undesirable impacts to landscape and watershed integrity, environmental functions, economic viability of resource lands, and public costs.

Declares that the most important component in building a successful transfer of development rights program is creating adequate receiving area capacity, and that it is a regional goal to direct growth to urban areas, and therefore it is a priority to develop this receiving capacity primarily in urban areas. In addition, the potential for additional receiving areas in appropriate nonurban areas is being explored concurrently. Declares that a county planning under RCW 36.70A.040 may designate no more than one rural village in the rural area outside of limited areas of more intensive rural development established pursuant to RCW 36.70A.070(5)(d).

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5853 by Senators Fairley, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, and Keiser

Clarifying that victims of identity theft who are notified of a security breach are not required to submit a valid police report for the purposes of placing a security freeze.

Defines a victim of identity theft in RCW 9.35.020 as someone who has submitted a valid police report to a consumer reporting agency.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5854 by Senators Benton and Carrell

Limiting utility liens against rental property.

Declares that if a property owner or the owner's designee notifies the city or town in writing that a property served by the city or town is a rental property, and provides, in writing, a mailing address for the tenant that is complete and accurate at the time it is provided, the city or town shall have no lien against the premises for the tenant's delinquent and unpaid charges and the city or town shall have no right of action against the property owner.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government

Operations & Elections.

SB 5855 by Senators Delvin, Shin, Berkey, Kilmer, Oemig, and Rasmussen

Implementing the Washington learns modifications. Implements the Washington learns modifications. Repeals RCW 28B.76.100.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Higher Education.
- SB 5856 by Senators Rockefeller, Kline, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Kauffman, Weinstein, Pridemore, and Fairley

Providing responsible bidder criteria and related requirements for public works contracts.

Provides that before award of a public works contract, a bidder must meet the following responsibility criteria to be considered a responsible bidder and qualified to be awarded a public works project. The bidder must have: (1) At the time of bid submittal, a certificate of registration in compliance with chapter 18.27 RCW;

(2) A current state unified business identifier number;

(3) If applicable, industrial insurance coverage for the bidder's employees working in Washington as required in Title 51 RCW; an employment security department number as required in Title 50 RCW; and a state excise tax registration number as required in Title 82 RCW; and

(4) Not been disqualified from bidding on any public works contract under RCW 39.06.010 or 39.12.065(3).

Provides that in addition to the bidder responsibility criteria, the state or municipality may adopt supplemental criteria for determining bidder responsibility applicable to a particular project.

Requires public works contractors to verify that their first tier subcontractors meet the bidder responsibility criteria listed in this act at the time of award, and any subcontractor that hires other subcontractors must verify that their subcontractors meet the responsibility criteria listed in this act at the time of award.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5857 by Senators Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles

Designating the official Nordic Museum.

Designates that the Nordic Heritage Museum in Seattle is the official Nordic museum of the state of Washington.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.
- SB 5858 by Senators Swecker, Morton, McCaslin, and Schoesler

Addressing compliance with federal selective service requirements before the issuance of drivers' licenses and identicards.

Requires that any person who is a male citizen or noncitizen of the United States, who applies for an original, the renewal of, or a replacement instruction permit, intermediate license, driver's license, or identicard under this chapter, and who is under the age of twenty-six, must be registered as required by the military selective service act.

Declares that the submission of an application by an applicant indicates that: (1) The applicant has already registered with the selective service system; or

(2) The applicant authorizes the department to forward to the selective service system the necessary personal information required for registration into the system.

Provides that the department shall forward electronically any necessary personal information of the applicant to the selective service system within ten days of receipt of the application, and when applicable, the department shall notify the applicant at the time of application submission that, by submitting the application, the applicant authorizes the department to register the applicant with the selective service system. If the applicant is under the age of eighteen at the time of application, the department shall notify the applicant that he will be registered with the selective service system as required by federal law.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5859 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Prentice, Clements, and Murray; by request of Liquor Control

Board

Creating a spirits, beer, and wine nightlife liquor license and removing spirits, beer, and wine restaurant license limit.

Designates a license as a spirits, beer, and wine nightlife license, which allows the holder to sell spirituous liquor by the drink, beer, and wine at retail, for consumption upon the licensed premises.

Provides that the license may be issued only to persons whose business includes the sale and service of alcohol to its customers, has food sales and service incidental to the sale and service of alcohol, and has the following characteristics: (1) The primary business hours are between nine o'clock in the evening and two o'clock in the morning; and

(2) The occupancy load of the business premises is greater than the seating provided.

Requires that a licensee must maintain minimum food service as determined by the board at all times when alcohol is available.

Allows minors on the licensed premises but only in the areas where no alcohol is served.

Sets the annual fee for the license as two thousand dollars, which may be reviewed periodically by the board and adjusted to reflect a change in the amount of resources necessary to regulate and enforce this license type.

Directs the board to refuse a spirits, beer, and wine nightlife license to any applicant if the board determines that the spirits, beer, and wine nightlife licenses already granted for the particular locality are adequate for the reasonable needs of the community.

Directs the board to set aside in a separate account in the liquor revolving fund an amount equal to ten percent of its gross sales of liquor to spirits, beer, and wine nightlife.

Declares that there may be held a separate election upon the question of whether the sale of liquor under spirits, beer, and wine nightlife facility licenses, shall be permitted within such unit.

Provides that toxicological services shall be funded by disbursement from the spirits, beer, and wine nightlife entertainment facility license fees under RCW 66.08.180 and by appropriation from the death investigations account under RCW 43.79.445.

- -- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --
- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5860 by Senators Murray, Holmquist, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, and Clements

Regulating body piercing.

Finds and declares that the practices of body piercing and body art involve an invasive procedure with the use of needles, single-use disposable sharps, reusable sharps, instruments, and jewelry. These practices may be dangerous when improperly sterilized, presenting a risk of infecting the client with bloodborne pathogens including, but not limited to, HIV, hepatitis B, and hepatitis C.

Declares that it is in the interests of the public health, safety, and welfare to establish requirements in the commercial practice of body piercing in this state.

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Labor,

Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5861 by Senators Rasmussen, Jacobsen, and Kastama

Regarding special assessments for conservation districts.

Declares that for counties with a population of between seven hundred fifty thousand and one million five hundred thousand persons, the maximum annual per parcel rate shall not exceed ten dollars, with all funds generated above five dollars per parcel being dedicated to assisting commercial agricultural operations within the district's boundaries.

SB 5862 by Senators Kilmer, Rockefeller, Poulsen, Kohl-Welles, and Kline

Addressing passenger-only ferry service funding.

Declares that by August 1st, November 1st, February 1st, and May 1st of every year, the department of transportation shall notify the state treasurer in writing of the amount of state sales and use tax paid under chapters 82.08 and 82.12 RCW by the Washington state ferries on the purchase of fuel for the preceding calendar quarter. By September 1st, December 1st, March 1st, and June 1st of every year, the state treasurer shall transfer an amount equal to the amount indicated by the department in their notification to the treasurer into the passenger ferry account created in RCW 47.60.645.

Provides that a public transportation benefit area seeking grant funding as described in RCW 47.01.350 for a passenger-only ferry route between Kingston and Seattle shall first receive approval from the governor after submitting a complete business plan to the governor and the legislature by November 1, 2007.

Declares that the tax levied by RCW 82.08.020 shall not apply to sales of motor vehicle and special fuel if the fuel is purchased by a public transportation benefit area created under chapter 36.57A RCW or a county-owned ferry or county ferry district created under chapter 36.54 RCW for use in passenger-only ferry vessels.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5863 by Senators Kilmer, Honeyford, Tom, Marr, Delvin, Jacobsen, and Rasmussen

Requiring the county assessor to consider the growth management act when establishing fair market property values.

Declares that the restrictions imposed by chapter 36.70A RCW shall be considered by the county assessor in establishing the fair market value of property.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections. SB 5864 by Senators Oemig, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Eide, and Kohl-Welles

Creating kindergarten transition plans.

Provides that the superintendent of public instruction shall work with the department of early learning to develop kindergarten transition plans, which includes creating the format and content of the plans and developing training for using the plans.

Provides that the plans shall be developed for use, to the extent possible, beginning in September of 2007, but not later than the 2008-09 school year and that kindergarten transition plans shall be implemented in public school districts across the state not later than the 2009-10 school year and shall also be available for voluntary use in child care, preschool, and other early learning programs.

Declares that the superintendent of public instruction shall seek input on the development of the plans from the same categories of people who were on the Washington early learning council or would be on an early learning advisory council created during the 2007 legislative session, and other representatives from the K-12 community.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education.

SB 5865 by Senator Kline

Clarifying the use of risk level classifications by law enforcement.

Declares that where the end-of-sentence review committee assigns a risk level classification, the risk level classification assigned by the end-of-sentence review committee is the level to be used by law enforcement for the purposes of community notification under RCW 4.24.550. If a law enforcement agency believes there is additional information that was not considered by the endof-sentence review committee that would either mitigate or aggravate the risk level assigned, the law enforcement agency shall forward that information to the chair of the end-of-sentence review committee for reconsideration at the next committee meeting. Upon reconsideration, the decision of the end-of-sentence review committee shall be final.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Human Services & Corrections.

SB 5866 by Senators Kline, Fairley, Kilmer, Rasmussen, and Keiser

Increasing the homestead exemption amount.

Increases the homestead exemption amount to one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5867 by Senators Kline and Sheldon

Authorizing tribal, Indian nation, and bureau of Indian affairs law enforcement and public safety officers to act as Washington peace officers. Declares that duly sworn and commissioned tribal law enforcement or public safety officers who are employed by a tribal government, Indian nation, or the bureau of Indian affairs, and are assigned in Washington state, may exercise general authority peace officer powers over non-Indian persons when those individuals are on tribal lands or within the external boundaries of Indian reservations.

Provides that tribal law enforcement or public safety officers who are subject to an agreement with the Washington state patrol must successfully complete four hundred hours of basic police training that is approved by the director of the Washington law enforcement academy.

Recognizes that tribal law enforcement or public safety officers may exercise general authority peace officer powers over non-Indian persons if the employing tribal government, Indian nation, or the bureau of Indian affairs has entered into a written agreement with the Washington state patrol.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5868 by Senators Kline, Jacobsen, Shin, Weinstein, and Murray

Defining civil disorder.

Provides that "civil disorder" means any public disturbance involving acts of violence that is intended to cause an immediate danger of, or to result in, significant injury to property or the person of any other individual.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5869 by Senators Kline, Fairley, Franklin, and Keiser

Monitoring personal information collected by state agencies.

Provides that "personally identifiable information" means information that can be associated with a particular individual through one or more identifiers or other information or circumstances.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5870 by Senators Kline, Hargrove, Eide, and Marr

Concerning records in a criminal case.

Revises provisions relating to records in a criminal case.

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5871 by Senators Kline and Pridemore

Addressing the required elements for comprehensive planning under the growth management act.

Declares that the comprehensive plan of a county or city shall include an energy element that includes strategies for: (1) Reducing a community's overall energy demand and consumption;

(2) Minimizing and mitigating a community's dependence on carbon-based fuel; and

(3) Integrating energy efficient and renewable energy based technologies and systems into the community.

Provides that the element shall include at the minimum: (1) A carbon scorecard that tracks a community's fuel consumption patterns, especially the demand for carbon-based fuel;

(2) Recommendations for updating building, site development, and street design codes and guidelines to achieve the strategies set forth in this act;

(3) Strategies for improving access to and the use of transit and nonmotorized travel modes; and

(4) A list of incentives and a funding plan for implementing relevant strategies.

Requires that the transportation element and the sixyear plans required by RCW 35.77.010 for cities, RCW 36.81.121 for counties, and RCW 35.58.2795 for public transportation systems, and the ten-year plan required by RCW 47.05.030 for the state, be consistent.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5872 by Senators Kline, Fraser, and Pridemore

Requiring the projected costs of certain criminal justice legislation to be appropriated into accounts to be used for capital costs.

Requires the office of financial management to prepare a fiscal note for any bill introduced before the legislature that would result in a net increase in periods of incarceration in state adult or juvenile correctional facilities.

Provides that the fiscal note requirement applies, at a minimum, to bills that: (1) Add new crimes for which incarceration is authorized;

(2) Increase the periods of incarceration authorized for existing crimes;

(3) Impose or increase mandatory minimum terms of incarceration; or

(4) Modify the law governing the release of adult or juvenile offenders in such a way that the time of incarceration is increased.

Requires that, for each law enacted for which a fiscal note is required under this act, the legislature shall make a one-time transfer from the general fund to the state corrections special reserve account.

Requires the office of financial management to prepare a fiscal note for any bill introduced before the legislature that would result in a net increase in periods of incarceration in local adult or juvenile correctional facilities.

Provides that the fiscal note requirement applies, at a minimum, to bills that: (1) Add new crimes for which incarceration is authorized;

(2) Increase the periods of incarceration authorized for existing crimes;

(3) Impose or increase mandatory minimum terms of incarceration; or

(4) Modify the law governing the release of adult or juvenile offenders in such a way that the time of incarceration is increased.

Requires that, for each law enacted for which a fiscal note is required under this act, the legislature shall make a one-time transfer from the general fund to the local corrections special reserve account.

Creates the local corrections special reserve account in the state treasury.

Creates the state corrections special reserve account in the state treasury.

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5873 by Senators Kline, Shin, Jacobsen, and Kohl-Welles

Defining "employer" in the human rights commission's provisions.

Redefines "employer" in the human rights commission's provisions.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5874 by Senator Kline

Requiring health benefit plans to provide coverage for elemental formulas.

Requires each health benefit plan offered to public employees and their covered dependents that is not subject to Title 48 RCW to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires each disability insurance policy that provides coverage for hospital or medical expenses to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires each group disability insurance policy that provides coverage for hospital or medical expenses to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires each health care service contract that provides coverage for hospital or medical expenses to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires each health maintenance agreement that provides coverage for hospital or medical expenses to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires each self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangement established, operated, providing benefits, or maintained in this state that provides coverage for hospital or medical expenses to provide coverage for amino acidbased elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires any schedule of benefits established or renewed by the Washington basic health plan to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Requires the department of social and health services to provide coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, regardless of the delivery method.

Applies generally after December 31, 2007.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5875 by Senators Rasmussen, Clements, and Franklin

Changing the regulation of plumbing to also include HVAC/R.

Revises the regulation of plumbing to also include HVAC/R.

-- 2007 REGULAR SESSION --Feb 5 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5876 by Senators Poulsen and Kline

Protecting salmon and steelhead spawning beds.

Requires the department of fish and wildlife to produce educational materials discouraging activities that harm or disturb the spawning beds of salmon and steelhead.

Requires the department to report to the legislature concerning the effectiveness of the educational materials by December 1, 2012, at the latest.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5877 by Senators Honeyford, Hargrove, Clements, Rasmussen, Morton, Parlette, Schoesler, and Holmquist

Clarifying when a water right is relinquished.

Directs that holders of perfected water rights shall no longer be required to show beneficial use of a water right beyond the most recent fifteen-year period.

Makes the provisions of the act not applicable to surface water rights and claims already undergoing adjudication for which final orders or conditional final orders have not yet been issued.

Takes effect July 1, 2008.

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- Feb 5 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Telecommunications.
- Feb 6 Scheduled for public hearing in committee. (Subject to change)
- SB 5878 by Senators Hargrove, Kline, Eide, Marr, Shin, Jacobsen, Kohl-Welles, Rasmussen, and Keiser

Concerning the filing of police incident reports for victims of identity theft.

Provides that a person who has learned or reasonably suspects that his or her financial information or means of identification has been unlawfully obtained, used by, or disclosed to another, as described in chapter 9.35 RCW, may file an incident report with a law enforcement agency, by contacting the local law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over his or her actual residence, place of business, or place where the crime occurred. The law enforcement agency shall create a police incident report of the matter and provide the complainant with a copy of that report, and may refer the incident report to another law enforcement agency.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5879 by Senators Fairley, Roach, Benton, Kohl-Welles, Murray, Swecker, Kline, Keiser, Schoesler, Fraser, Jacobsen, and Rockefeller

Authorizing payroll deductions for retiree organization dues.

Authorizes payroll deductions for retiree organization dues.

SB 5880 by Senators Kilmer, Kastama, Swecker, Roach, Keiser, and Delvin

Concerning the department of social and health services' technical assistance and audit program for pharmacy payments.

Declares an intent of the legislature that the regulatory and inspection program authorized in this act shall include: (1) A systematic pharmacy audit program for determining compliance with state and federal laws relating to payment for providing services to recipients under this act;

(2) A technical assistance program to identify pharmacies that could benefit from technical assistance from the department with regard to billing for payment, and to provide that assistance; and

(3) A systematic method to gather data for program improvement.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5881 by Senators Poulsen, Delvin, Regala, and Fraser; by request of Department of Ecology

Modifying water power license fees.

Increases water power license fees in accordance with the fiscal growth factor as provided by the office of financial management.

Provides an additional fee schedule.

Requires the department of ecology to submit a progress report to the appropriate committees of the legislature prior to December 31, 2009, and biennially thereafter.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Telecommunications.

SB 5882 by Senators Fraser, Honeyford, Regala, Swecker, Rockefeller, Parlette, Kohl-Welles,

Rasmussen, and Kastama; by request of Secretary of State

Funding the Washington state heritage center.

Establishes fees to be used for financing the Washington state heritage center.

Creates the Washington state heritage center account.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5883 by Senators Fraser, Swecker, Hargrove, Stevens, Morton, Jacobsen, Rockefeller, Rasmussen, and Franklin

Concerning conversion of forest land to nonforestry uses.

Provides that, if a county, city, town, or regional governmental entity receives a notice of conversion to nonforestry use by the department under RCW 76.09.060, then the county, city, town, or regional governmental entity must deny all applications for permits or approvals,

including building permits and subdivision approvals, relating to nonforestry uses of the land that is the subject of the notification. The prohibition created by this act must be enforced by the county, city, town, or regional governmental entity: (1) For a period of six years from the approval date of the applicable forest practices application or notification or the date that the department was made aware of the harvest activities; or

(2) Until the following activities are completed for the land that is the subject of the notice of conversion to a nonforestry use: (a) full compliance with chapter 43.21C RCW, if applicable; (b) the department has notified the county, city, town, or regional governmental entity that the landowner has resolved any outstanding final orders or decisions issued by the department; and (c) a determination is made by the county, city, town, or regional governmental entity as to whether or not the condition of the land in question is in full compliance with local ordinances and regulations.

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SB 5884 by Senators Jacobsen and Weinstein

Protecting consumers by requiring the state to reimburse a retail seller for the state portion of any sales tax paid on interchange fees.

Requires the state to reimburse a retail seller for the state portion of any sales tax paid on interchange fees. Defines "interchange fee" to mean the fee a merchant's

Defines "interchange fee" to mean the fee a merchant's financial institution pays to a cardholder's financial institution when a cardholder uses a credit card or debit card as payment during a retail transaction.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5885 by Senators Jacobsen and Weinstein

Protecting consumers by prohibiting financial institutions from charging interchange fees on the state sales tax portion of a retail sale transaction.

Prohibits financial institutions from charging interchange fees on the state sales tax portion of a retail sale transaction.

Defines "interchange fee" to mean the fee a merchant's financial institution pays to a cardholder's financial institution when a cardholder uses a credit card or debit card as payment during a retail transaction.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

SB 5886 by Senators Rasmussen, Roach, Prentice, Benton, Kastama, Swecker, Marr, Murray, Berkey, Regala, Clements, Morton, Franklin, Sheldon, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Shin, Fairley, Kauffman, Oemig, Jacobsen, Hobbs, Eide, Spanel, Kilmer, Rockefeller, Kline, Poulsen, Weinstein, Tom, Pridemore, Kohl-Welles, Parlette, Delvin, and Keiser

Creating an "Autism Awareness" special license plate. Creates an "Autism Awareness" special license plate.

Feb 5 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 5887 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Kline, Murray, and Regala

Providing for fiscal reform.

Declares that it is the intent of the legislature in adopting Title 82A RCW to provide the necessary revenues for the support of vital state services on a more stable and equitable basis.

Imposes a tax at the rate of one percent on all taxable income of resident individuals and on all individuals deriving income from sources in Washington for each taxable year. Taxable income of a taxpayer exempt from taxation by internal revenue code section 501 is exempt from taxation by Title 82A RCW.

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Feb 5 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8012 by Senators Brown, Hewitt, Franklin, Fraser, Oemig, Kline, Kilmer, Swecker, Hobbs, Hatfield, Marr, Spanel, Regala, Kohl-Welles, Berkey, Pridemore, Rasmussen, McAuliffe, Sheldon, and Shin

Requesting the Washington Air and Army National Guard not be federalized.

Requests that the Washington Air and Army National Guard not be federalized.

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Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.